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Goodbye Metro Transit, hello Halifax Transit



Two women walk by a newly branded Halifax Transit bus on Tuesday in Grand Parade.
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New brand. About 70 of 300 buses will be repainted this year at the cost of \$3,000-\$4,000 each



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Halifax's new brand is coming to city buses and ferries, and the director of the newly renamed Halifax Transit says it's a change that will be followed by many more in the next few years.

"We're on the cusp of rolling out some really distinct changes for transit in Halifax," said Eddie Robar, standing in front of a bus sporting the much-debated blue and white logo at the Grand Parade Tuesday afternoon.

"With the new brand, it's given us a great chance to precede that change ... with a new look, so kind of a rebirth of transit."

The name change from

Metro Transit to Halifax Transit takes effect immediately, but rebranding buses and ferries will take longer.

About 70 of Haliac's 300 buses will be repainted this year as they undergo structure work that requires removing and repainting the outer panels, with the remainder to follow over the next few years.

The cost per bus is between \$3,000 and \$4,000.

Mayor Mike Savage said a new image is essential to improving the city's prospects, but said the continued rollout of the new brand would be done in a "measured" way.

"We don't paint buses at the cost of potholes, and we're not going to paint vehicles at the expense of cutting grass," he said. "It's all about building a community that people want to live in, invest in, and come to visit, and this will help that."

In addition to a new look, Robar said transit is about to undergo significant change on several fronts, from new infrastructure to technology upgrades.

Quoted



"It's a very cool day and a very positive day for

Halifax. It's one thing to see our new brand on paper, but to see it in full colour on the side of a 40-foot bus, that's really something."

Mayor Mike Savage

The agency will also launch public consultations in the fall on a system-wide redesign of everything from routes to schedules.

"We'll be going back to the public with what we've heard from them, what we can do as a business to meet those needs, and the challenges of the public, and we'll be going back to consult on network designs and options moving forward," said Robar.



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Howe's lawyer asks judge for sentencing clarification

Sexual assault case.

Crown still seeking federal prison time

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The new defence lawyer in the sexual assault case against Lyle Howe has asked for a clarification of the facts upon which his client's sentencing will be based.

Suspended Halifax defence lawyer Lyle Howe was found guilty of sexual assault in May in connection with a 2011 incident involving a 19-year-old woman.

During an appearance Tuesday at Nova Scotia Supreme Court in Halifax to confirm a date for Howe's sentencing, his lawyer, Phil Star, asked Justice Joseph Kennedy what specific facts will be used to determine his ruling.

"This is somewhat of a unique case in that you don't hear the deliberations or the



Suspended Halifax defence lawyer Lyle Howe is seen outside of court in May. PATRICK MCKENNA/FOR METRO

reasoning of the jury, other than 'guilty' or 'not guilty,'" Star told reporters outside of court Tuesday.

Lawyers on both sides will be preparing sentencing recommendations.

While the Crown has previously stated it will be seeking federal prison time, sentencing on a sexual assault case can range from probation to a maximum of 10 years in prison.

"We have a new lawyer

involved after the verdict has been reached on a fairly complex trial, that took some amount of time," explained Crown Darcy MacPherson.

"It's a fair question to ask what will be the foundation for

New lawyer

Lyle Howe is no longer represented by lawyer Mike Taylor, who represented him during his trial.

the sentencing the judge will be relying on."

The jury also found Howe not guilty of administering a stupefying drug, which raised questions about whether the complainant was conscious or not during the time of the incident.

Star asked the judge whether this issue would factor into sentencing.

"The jury has further found that Mr. Howe knew that there was not consent," said Justice Kennedy.

"Why the complainant was not in a position to give consent, did not consent, is of some interest I suppose, but is certainly not essential to the sentence."

Sentencing is set for July 30 at 2 p.m.

Cops ask for assistance in hunt for Beals



Shilo Beals CONTRIBUTED

Although Halifax Regional Police believe a murder suspect is still in the Halifax area, they're not ruling out the possibility he has left the province.

Major crime investigators laid a first-degree murder charge against Shilo Marcino Beals, 31, of Cherry Brook, in connection to the 2004 fatal shooting of Kevin James Bowser on Monday.

"There's information that

he may be still in the Halifax area," police spokesman Const. Pierre Bourdages said Tuesday. "We have tips, but nothing that has panned out."

The charges come at the same time as police have issued a nationwide warrant for Beals in the event that he may leave the province.

"It's always a possibility," said Bourdages. "So, this Canada-wide warrant, it gives the

power to any officer in Canada to arrest and detain Mr. Beals until our officers here can bring him back to Halifax."

Beals is known to police and is considered to be armed and dangerous. Police are looking for the public's assistance in locating him, but police urge people not to approach him.

While police would not comment on Beals' history,

the victim has been described as being a drug user who associated with drug dealers.

The night before Bowser was shot dead in Uniacke Square, it was reported that a crack-dealing associate had asked Bowser to stay with his girlfriend and children while he took a shotgun to settle a score.

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Tom Mulcair tours Halifax to drum up local NDP base

Eyeing 2015 election.
Opposition leader calls party the alternative to Tory, Liberal 'corruption'

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Federal NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair said his party would like to increase its seat count in Nova Scotia and on the East Coast during the next federal election.

Mulcair was in Halifax attending the Assembly of First Nations 34th Annual General Assembly on Tuesday, along with making some tour-type stops.

He was flanked by Halifax MP Megan Leslie and Dartmouth-Cole Harbour MP Robert Chisholm to speak to media next to the HMCS Sackville on the Halifax waterfront.

The only other Nova Scotia NDP member, Peter Stoffer,

was absent.

Mulcair indicated he'd like to increase the party's ranks in Nova Scotia.

"We have every intention of increasing our seat count in the next election," he told reporters on the docks of Halifax Harbour.

"We think that Canadians deserve better. (We're) telling Canadians that they deserve better than having to alternate between Conservative corruption and going back to Liberal corruption."

Nova Scotians voted for a Liberal majority in the last provincial election, ousting its first provincial NDP government.

Mulcair indicated it was the NDP's "poor performance during the election," and not its performance in government, which led to the loss.

"It's the poor performance in the election, because the actual government that Darrell Dexter put in place for the people of Nova Scotia did a very good job," he said. "(He)

did a great job of cleaning up the public finances that had been left in a lamentable state by the prior administration."

Mulcair added that there are a lot of things to learn from any election.

"One of the lessons is you never let your adversary define you," he said. "I think that Darrell was doing such a sterling job he just assumed that a lot of people in Nova Scotia would see the great job that they had done."

"But you also have to do your job of selling that, and maybe the other guys did a better job of attacking that record than we did of selling it."

On the waterfront

As part of his visit to Halifax, Thomas Mulcair also toured the HMCS Sackville before going on to a rowing race at the Mic Mac Amateur Aquatic Club in Dartmouth.



Leader of the Opposition, Thomas Mulcair, speaks to reporters on Tuesday as local MPs Robert Chisholm and Megan Leslie listen. DESIREE FINHERT/FOR METRO

New electronic music festival comes to Halifax



Local favourites Scientists of Sound will feature in the new waterfront festival. CONTRIBUTED

A new music festival is hoping to electrify the Halifax waterfront this September.

On Tuesday, the Helm Fest announced they will be putting on the city's first electronic dance music (EDM) festival on Sept. 20 in the large lot at the corner of Salter and Lower Water streets.

"This festival has been two years in the making and we're so excited that it's all coming together," said Sidney Enwood, Helm Fest organizer, in a statement.

"Halifax has a great com-

munity of EDM fans, so we're very proud to bring in some popular names in the business and feature great local talent," said Enwood.

Some of the acts already announced include local favourites Scientists of Sound, as well as Australian street looping artist Dub Fx and Canadian duo Sultan + Ned Shepard.

Other performers include TWRK from New York, Slynk, Flipside, Adam Doublyou, and Elle Morgan, a 14-year-old DJ phenomenon from Hous-

ton, Texas, and more than a dozen other international or regional acts.

The festival is presented by Underdog Productions and Scarab Media Inc. in association with the Waterfront Development Corporation, Halifax Civic Events and other partners.

Tickets go on sale the week of July 21 through TicketPro. Helm Fest is an all-ages event with a licensed area, as well as an "exclusive VIP section" on the Waterfront Warehouse patio. HAYLEY RYAN/METRO

Kentville

Mail carrier bitten by dog

A Canada Post carrier was delivering mail on Kentville's Canaan Avenue when police say he was bitten by a dog.

Police say the carrier was treated for minor injuries at Valley Regional Hospital and released.

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Canada Post trucks in a parking lot. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Cape Breton

Police investigate possible assault in North Sydney

Cape Breton police are asking the public for information as they investigate a possible assault.

According to police, just before midnight Monday officers were called to a grocery store parking lot

on King Street in North Sydney, where they found an injured man.

An ambulance took the 48-year-old man to Cape Breton Regional Hospital with serious head injuries. He was slated to be transferred to Halifax for further treatment.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police at (902) 563-5151 or through CrimeStoppers.

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Pubnico

Cows shot by pellet gun

Nova Scotia RCMP have an oddly difficult case on their hands.

Around 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, Yarmouth Rural RCMP were called to respond to an animal cruelty incident on Highway 3 in Pubnico.

Police say two cows

were found shot with a pellet gun.

Neither animal appeared to have suffered serious injuries.

There are no suspects and police are asking for the public's help in solving the case.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Yarmouth Rural RCMP at 902-742-9106 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477. METRO



Chief Joe Alphonse of the Tsilhqot'in National Government attends the Assembly of First Nations' 35th annual general meeting in Halifax on Tuesday. ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Chiefs back motion to elect new leader

Assembly of First Nations. Meeting agrees issues such as education, aboriginal title need to be raised ahead of 2015 election

A new chief for the Assembly of First Nations will be elected in December, as many aboriginal leaders agreed Tuesday there is a growing need to ensure native issues don't fall off the national agenda ahead of a federal election next year.

Many of the hundreds of chiefs at the annual meeting of the Assembly of First Nations in Halifax supported a motion to choose their leader at a special chiefs assembly in Winnipeg, saying issues including education and aboriginal title need to be raised with the federal parties as they prepare for the October 2015 vote.

Other issues

Resource development, fisheries and the high number of murdered and missing aboriginal women are among some of the other issues that will be discussed at the three-day meeting, which concludes Thursday.

"We really need a national chief to deal with the current government of Canada, to deal with Stephen Harper and to get ready for the federal election that will be coming," Roger Fobister, chief of Grassy Narrows First Nation in Ontario, told the meeting in Halifax.

"We need someone to talk to the opposition, Justin Trudeau, to see if he's really a government in waiting."

Wilfred King, chief of Gull Bay First Nation in Ontario, echoed that position.

"There are too many im-

portant issues at stake here," King said. "The organization as a whole requires someone at the helm to help guide and direct us."

The Assembly of First Nations has been without a leader since Shawn Atleo unexpectedly stepped down in May, amid criticism for his support of proposed changes to federal legislation related to aboriginal education.

The federal government has since put the policy changes on hold.

Chief Wilf Adam of Lake Babine Nation in British Columbia spoke about the need to have a strong national voice following last month's groundbreaking Supreme Court decision to grant aboriginal title for the first time in Canada.

"It's important that we have a national leader, especially at this time, especially when we have a very important case that was won," said Adam. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Necropsy reveals humans didn't cause death of Port Hastings whale

Human cause has been ruled out in the death of a 50-foot female fin whale that washed ashore near Port Hastings.

The findings follow a necropsy undertaken by the Marine Animal Response Society on Saturday on Janvrin Island off Isle Madame, after the animal's remains were towed to the Richmond County community by the Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources.

"We didn't see any evidence of gear entanglement, which typically for an animal that

size you would have abrasions cutting into its skin," said Andrew Reid, response co-ordinator with the society.

"We removed its blubber, the muscle and examined all of its bones, and there was no indication of broken bones or hemorrhaging that would be a sign that it was struck by a vessel."

While an acute human cause was ruled out, he said there could have been a long-term injury. However, due to the amount of decomposition

Tale of the whale

The whale was first noticed on the evening of July 3 when it came to rest below the busy Port Hastings visitor information centre. It was towed away under the guidance of the Department of Natural Resources on July 10.

at the time of the necropsy, it was difficult to come to that conclusion. **CAPE BRETON POST**

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No regrets leaving Tories: MLA Porter

Hants West MLA Chuck Porter has no regrets about his decision to part ways with the Progressive Conservatives.

"The positive side of it now is I'm free to speak to various government departments and work with ministers to ensure the issues and concerns get addressed that we have here in Hants West," said Porter.

He plans to return to

the House this fall as an independent, and assess whatever options may come his way as opportunities arise.

"History would show that people think you have to be affiliated with a party to do your job — that's not the case," he said.

Porter resigned from the PC Party in mid-June, citing differences with Leader Jamie Baillie as the primary reason for his decision to serve as an independent MLA.

The same day Porter announced his move away from the PC caucus, Baillie issued a news release accusing Porter of missing a number of meetings since the election in October.

Porter described Baillie's release as "fabricated."

He said he missed some meetings in Halifax due to health issues, and that the caucus had been made aware.

He added that he partici-

pated in several meetings via conference calls.

Now that some time has passed, Porter said he has no question he made the right decision.

"I have been overwhelmed by the support that I've had," he said.

Porter has won three consecutive elections.

He managed to secure the Hants West seat for the Tories in both NDP and Liberal surges that resulted in majority governments.

Lori Turnbull, a political science professor at Dalhousie University, said constituency work will be key for Porter in the years leading up to the next election.

"If he wants to get re-elected he's really going to have to beat the bushes in terms of convincing people that he's going to be able to do as much as he ever could and he's still the best person," she said.

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"I have the ability to work with whomever is in government in a respectful way."



Chuck Porter, Hants West MLA, on returning to the House as an independent MLA.



A barn is engulfed in flames in the Digby area on Monday. ROBERT MORGAN/CONTRIBUTED TO DIGBY COURIER

Firefighters save home, but barn burns Monday

No injuries.

Several departments responded to the blaze in the Digby area

Fire consumed a barn in the Digby area on Monday, but firefighters were able to save a nearby home.

Digby, Brighton Barton, Smith's Cove and Bear River Fire Departments responded

According to RCMP

Mechanical problems didn't cause bus crash

Executive Coach Inc. says the RCMP have ruled out mechanical failure in a bus that crashed Sunday in Cape Breton, killing a Pennsylvania tourist in her 70s.

Executive Coach, based in Lancaster, Pa., says it will use the RCMP's findings as part of its own investigation. The Mounties have said 10 people were hurt in the crash. In a statement, Executive Coach vice-president Dale McMichael said the bus was being driven by the co-owner and operator of Westlake Tours.

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to the blaze.

Digby firefighters were called out at 6:08 p.m. and when they arrived on scene at 6:19 p.m., flames had already broken through the roof of the barn, which belongs to John Lewis.

Fire Chief Robert Morgan said one hose was trained on the barn and another on the Lewis home.

The siding melted on the two sides of the house nearest the barn.

Morgan said Lewis had been burning brush behind the barn and went inside for a mow. When he came back he noticed the fire and called 911.

Morgan added the barn was used for storage of miscellaneous items.

No one was hurt in the fire.

Natural Resources' Nova Scotia fire index map showed the fire danger in the Digby area as low on Tuesday.

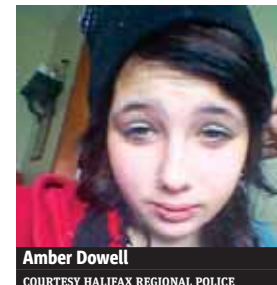
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Dartmouth girl. Police seek public's help to find missing 14-year-old girl

Police are once again asking for the public's help in finding Amber Rose Dowell, 14, who was last seen leaving her home on Pleasant Street on July 12 at 5:10 p.m. She was reported missing the next day.

Police say Dowell has been in touch with friends through social media since leaving home, and it's believed she is in the Halifax area. Police don't believe she has been met with foul play, but there is concern for her safety.

Dowell is described as five-foot-four, 110 pounds with a medium build and shoulder-length dyed blond hair. She has



Amber Dowell
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her nose, lips and ears pierced.

Dowell was also reported missing by police in May and was safely found about two weeks later. METRO

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Immigration activist released by U.S. after detention at airport

Jose Antonio Vargas. Prize-winning journalist and undocumented immigrant was stopped in Texas border town

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Jose Antonio Vargas, a Philippines-born immigration activist who has lived in the U.S. illegally since he was a child, was released by U.S. Border Patrol agents on Tuesday after they detained him at a Texas airport.

Border Patrol spokesman Omar Zamora said Vargas was

stopped going through security at the airport in McAllen, just across from the Mexico border. A spokeswoman for Define American, Vargas' advocacy group, confirmed his release Tuesday afternoon.

It is common for the Border Patrol to release people on their own recognizances, with notices to appear in court later. With such notices, people can generally travel throughout the U.S. without being detained again.

Vargas had been visiting the border city for several days as part of a vigil to highlight the plight of unaccompanied immigrant children coming into the U.S. illegally

Going public

Vargas went public about his immigration status in a 2011 piece for the New York Times Magazine, revealing he had been living in the U.S. illegally since he was brought from the Philippines as a child to live with his grandparents.

- Vargas also directed a 2013 documentary called Documented.

who have overwhelmed Border Patrol facilities.

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Splashing in the streets

A child plays in a waterlogged street holding the hand of an adult as it rains in Mumbai, India, Tuesday. Incessant rainfall has caused waterlogging in several parts of the city. RAJANISH KAKADE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Suspended senator

Duffy has love child: Maclean's

Maclean's magazine reported on Tuesday that suspended former Conservative Senator Mike Duffy has a love child in Peru. Torstar News Service has not verified this allegation.

Karen Duffy, 32, has filed a civil suit in Peruvian court against Duffy to try to prove that he is her biological father, Maclean's reported.

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Possible record-breaker

Teen flies solo around the world

A U.S. teen may have become the youngest person to fly solo around the world. Matt Guthmiller, 19, completed the more than 46,670-kilometre journey in a single-engine airplane Monday night when he touched down in California. Guthmiller made about two dozen stops in 14 countries during the journey. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It's a boy!

On-duty officer delivers own baby

Officer Bryan Anderson was on duty early Sunday in Hemet, Calif., when he got a call from his wife saying she was about to give birth to their baby, who wasn't due for another week. Anderson hurried home and called paramedics, but they didn't arrive in time. He delivered baby Michael in their bathroom.

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Calgary mom 'hopeful' Nathan will come home

Charges laid. Police believe that five-year-old Nathan O'Brien and his two grandparents were murdered



JEREMY NOLAS
Metro in Calgary

Nathan O'Brien's mother isn't giving up hope her little boy will still come home — even as police formally charged a man in what's become a triple-murder case.

Jen O'Brien told Metro Tuesday that police haven't shared the evidence they've gathered that gives them confidence five-year-old Nathan and his grandparents, Alvin and Kathryn Liknes, are dead.

"At this point, I don't know what that evidence is; nobody knows what that evidence is," she said. "They won't tell us, but we do know that it's not time for us to lose hope."

"I can't and I won't until we know for sure."

Douglas Garland has been charged with two counts first-degree murder and one count of second-degree murder — the latter charge relates to the presumed death of Nathan.

The nature of the charges indicate that police believe the accused premeditated the murders of the Liknes couple but not that of the five-year-old, who'd been staying over at his grandparents' Parkhill home on June 29.

When Jen O'Brien returned the following morning to retrieve her son, neither Nathan nor her parents were anywhere to be found.

"I'm so hopeful that my little boy's going to come home," she said. "I hope and pray that anybody that was involved actually speaks up and has it in their hearts because Nathan wasn't involved in this."

Police have said a violent incident occurred inside the



A memorial continues to grow at a Parkhill home in Calgary where Alvin and Kathryn Liknes and their five-year-old grandson Nathan O'Brien went missing two weeks ago. KEN VAN DE WALLE/FOR METRO

home and that the missing trio didn't leave voluntarily.

The Parkhill home was searched during the two-week investigation, as were an Air-

drie acreage owned by Garland's parents and multiple Calgary landfill sites.

On Monday, Calgary Police Chief Rick Hanson broke the

news that although no bodies have been recovered, his investigators have gathered enough evidence to lay the three murder charges.

Douglas Garland

Records offer portrait of the accused

Douglas Robert Garland's appearance is unassuming — a balding, 54-year-old man with glasses and an average build, someone most people would pass by without a second look.

But for more than a week, he has been at the centre of a Calgary police probe into the mysterious disappearance of Alvin and Kathryn Liknes and their grandson, five-year-old Nathan O'Brien.

Court records reveal an intelligent person, but someone who struggled with mental problems that led, at least in part, to a rather long criminal record.

His convictions, however, were for non-violent offences.

Court documents show Garland was smart enough to get into medical school, evade police on drug charges for several years, get a job working in a laboratory without proper credentials and win a tax-court case against the federal government by acting as his own lawyer.

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Israel resumes bombings in Gaza after Hamas rejects ceasefire plan

Israel resumed its heavy bombardment of Gaza on Tuesday and warned that Hamas "would pay the price" after the Islamic militant group rejected an Egyptian truce plan and instead unleashed more rocket barrages at the Middle Eastern state.

Rocket fire from Gaza killed an Israeli man Tuesday, the first Israeli fatality in eight days of fighting. In Gaza, 197 people have been killed and close to 1,500 wounded, Palestinian officials said, making it the deadliest Israel-Hamas confrontation in just over five years.

Hamas officials rejected the current Egyptian plan on Tuesday, noting they weren't consulted by Cairo. Some portrayed the truce offer as an ultimatum presented to Hamas by Israel and Egypt.

The officials said the Egyptian plan offered no tangible achievements, particularly on easing the border blockade that has been enforced by Israel and Egypt to varying degrees since 2007. The Egyptian proposal,



Palestinian boys inspect the site of the el-Zatmah family home, which was damaged by an overnight Israeli missile on Tuesday, in Rafah, southern Gaza Strip. LEFERIS PITAKIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

initially accepted by Israel, had been the first attempt to end the fighting but unraveled in less than a day. Hamas does not consider Egypt's current rulers — who deposed a Hamas-friendly government in Cairo a year ago — to be fair brokers.

In an evening address aired live on TV, Israeli Prime Minis-

ter Benjamin Netanyahu said that after Hamas' rejection of the truce, Israel had "no choice" but to respond more forcefully.

"Hamas chose to continue fighting and will pay the price for that decision," he said. "When there is no ceasefire, our answer is fire."

"The siege on Gaza must be

Fighting persists

On Tuesday, thousands of residents of northern and eastern Gaza were urged to leave their homes by Wednesday morning, presumably a prelude to airstrikes.

- Hamas believes it has little to lose by continuing to fight, while a truce on unfavourable terms could weaken its grip on Gaza.
- Israeli aircraft have struck around 1,700 times since July 8, while Gaza militants fired more than 1,200 rockets at Israel.

broken, and the people of Gaza should live freely like other people of the world," Moussa Abu Marzouk, a top Hamas official, told the Lebanese TV channel Al-Mayadeen, adding that there should be a "new equation" in place to prevent war.

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Kidnapped girls. Parents, schoolmates refuse to meet Nigerian president

Parents and schoolmates of the 219 schoolgirls held captive by Boko Haram extremists refused at the last minute Tuesday to meet with Nigeria's President Goodluck Jonathan.

"It now appears that our fight to get the girls of Chibok back is not only a fight against a terrorist insurgency, but also against a political opposition," Jonathan said in a statement.

On Tuesday, security agents locked the doors to the National Assembly, pre-

venting the campaigners from attending a scheduled meeting with the Senate president, said Rotimi Olawale, co-founder of Youth Hub Africa.

It seems the campaigners then persuaded the parents and girls not to meet with the Nigerian president.

Jonathan accused the Nigerian chapter of the Bring Back Our Girls movement of "playing politics with the situation."

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Moscow

At least 21 killed in subway derailment

A subway train derailed Tuesday deep below Moscow's streets, twisting and mangling crowded rail cars during the morning rush hour. At least 21 people were killed and 136 more were hospitalized, Russian officials said.

It was unclear what caused the derailment. Of the 136 people hospitalized, at least 42 were in grave condition, officials said. One citizen of China and one citizen of Tajikistan were among those killed, Russian news agencies quoted city officials as saying.

Over 1,100 people were evacuated from the train in a rescue operation that lasted at least 12 hours.

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Riding changes affect neighbourhoods

All over the map.

Polling expert breaks down Election Canada's new federal riding boundaries

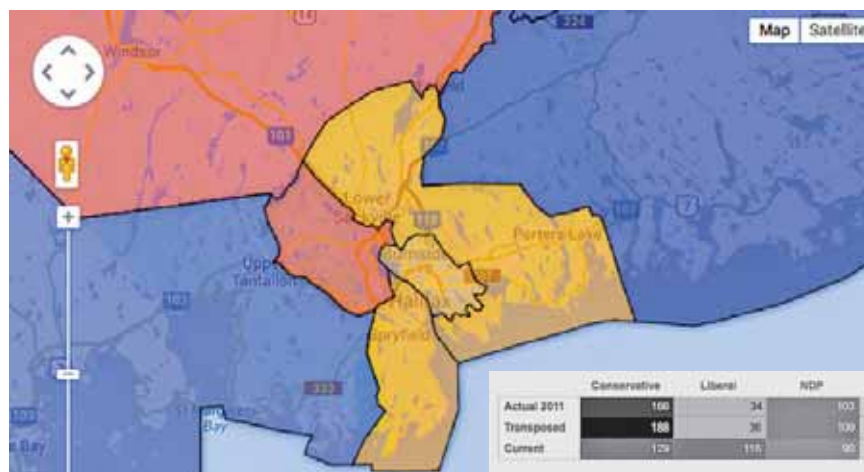


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Many voters in the 2015 federal election are going to find their riding has changed — it may have a new name, new geography and new political context.

The federal ridings were redrawn to take population changes into account, growing from 308 ridings in the 2011 election to the 338 there will be in the 2015 election.

To help the public understand the political effect of the new ridings, Elections Canada “transposed” results of the 2011 election onto the new riding boundaries, assigning the votes cast in each riding to the one where the voter would have belonged if the new boundaries had been in effect at the time.



This map shows the new riding boundaries in Nova Scotia. The map is colour-coded to match the vote transposition calculations for the 2011 election done by Elections Canada, where blue indicates Progressive Conservative, red indicates Liberal and Orange indicates NDP. INSET: The chart contrasts three scenarios: The actual 2011 election, the likely result of the 2011 election if the votes had been transposed to the new ridings, and threehundredeight.com's current projections if there were an election held this month. JESSICA SMITH CROSS/METRO IN TORONTO

To help readers see how it affects their community and the country as a whole, Metro has mapped out the transposed results from Elections Canada. By zooming into a neighbourhood on this map,

you can click between what really happened in 2011 and what would have happened with the new ridings.

Eric Grenier, the polling expert who runs threehundredeight.com, said Elec-

tions Canada found the new boundaries would have benefited the Conservative Party — which would have won 22 of the 30 new ridings. It was a fair process run by non-partisan commissions that

took input from the public, he said.

“The (Conservatives) already had the most seats, so they were proportionally going to get the most and also most of the seats were created in some of the fast-growing suburban parts of the country where the Conservatives did very well in 2011,” he said. “It’s not a case of the sort of gerrymandering we see in the United States.”

A lot has changed politically since 2011. Grenier predicts an election held now would see the Conservatives

win 129 seats — significantly fewer than the 188 seats the 2011 vote transposition map shows. The Liberals would win 166 seats today, the NDP 90, the Greens 2 and the Bloc Quebecois 1.

“The biggest change has been, of course, the fact that the Liberals are now polling close to double what they had in 2011 and the Conservatives have dropped about 10 points and the NDP about

Nova Scotia

None of the federal ridings would have changed hands in Nova Scotia, which saw Progressive Conservatives and Liberals each win four seats, and the NDP three. In Halifax, the NDP took three of the four ridings, with the Liberals grabbing the other.

eight points from the last election,” said Grenier. “So, obviously when you see a swing of that magnitude, a lot of seats have the potential to change hands.”

The changed boundaries should have the most impact in Saskatchewan, said Grenier. “The ridings used to be a mix of urban and rural, so you had these ridings that went into downtown Saskatoon and then stretched out to the borders with Manitoba, and now you have actual urban ridings in Saskatchewan — in Saskatoon and Regina — and the NDP could win a few of those ridings, where in the last election all but (Liberal) Ralph Goodale’s riding went Conservative.”

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WORLD'S OLDEST MAN OUTLIVES TO TELL

Some of us stop having birthdays after we turn 29.

Still, somehow the government tracks us down when we're 65 and sends us a paltry stipend.

"Too bad. You're old, ha ha. Here's 500 bucks a month. Don't spend it all in one place."

Sadly, in our youth-obsessed age, the elderly get no respect. Of course, being only 29, I have no first-hand experience of the problem.

There is one way to get the respect you deserve: just wait everybody out until, like José Aguiñelo dos Santos, you wake up one morning as The World's Oldest Man.

Then they respect. They come from miles around to ask you how you managed to survive until 126, outlasting the former Jeanne Calment, that young French girl who gave up the ghost at 122 in 1997.



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And if you're José, the formula is pretty simple. "The truth is," he told an inquiring reporter, "you keep getting older."

It helps, apparently, to smoke a pack of cigarettes a day for the last 50 years, to sing and tell jokes and eat rice and beans. Oh, and avoid bathing at all costs.

When you're 126, who's going to say you smell like old cheese? And you can just pretend not to hear them.

José was allegedly born on July 7, 1888, on the same day as Lawrence of Arabia — who may have had a more exciting life, but look who's still here.

The son of an African slave — he can't remember his mother's name — José was born two months after slavery was abolished in Brazil. He spent most of his life working on a coffee plantation, so you have to wonder if emancipation made much difference. José got his first birth certificate this month after being

interviewed by experts. He was able to accurately describe the slave compound of his birth, which allowed the experts to assign his age, although his old folks' home is hoping to have him carbon 14-dated to make sure.

When you're 126, it's kind of like being a petrified tree.

But just look at what this guy has lived through. The year he was born was the year of Jack the Ripper. He was 26 at the outset of World War I and 53 when World War II ended. He was 62 the last time Brazil hosted the World Cup. That was in 1950. He was a pensioner more than half a century ago.

Memo to self: call financial adviser re: outliving retirement capital.

If you're José, you could look at it this way: every minute could be your last.

Or you could look at it this way: every minute is a bonus. As fellow centenarian George Burns liked to say, "If you live to be one hundred, you've got it made. Very few people die past that age."

So happy Birthday to José, the last man standing (from on or before July 7, 1888).

DON'T CALL IT AN IMPERSONATION



Frank Werth, left, of Hayes, Kan., looks at the collar of Tony Freitas, of Oakdale, Calif., during the Las Vegas Elvis Festival. Some three dozen Elvis tribute artists took their gyrating hips and curled lips to the stage over the weekend to see who could do the most convincing portrayal. JOHN LOCHER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Elvis tribute artists go for reverence, not mockery

The white-suited, chest hair-baring, blue contact-wearing men posing with fans outside the showroom of the former Las Vegas Hilton don't want to be called Elvis impersonators.

The correct term is Elvis tribute artist — or ETA for short — to distinguish their studied performances from the dime-a-dozen characters trolling the strip.

"It's not a gag," explained Jason Sherry, producer of this

weekend's Elvis Festival in Las Vegas, one of several sanctioned by Presley's estate that lead up to Elvis Week in Memphis, Tenn., in August. "It doesn't mean we don't enjoy it. But we're not making a mockery of Elvis."

Some three dozen ETAs took their gyrating hips and curled lips to the stage over the weekend to see who could do the most convincing portrayal.

Prizes included \$2,500 in cash for the top performer and chance to represent Las Vegas in the Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist competition during Elvis Week. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

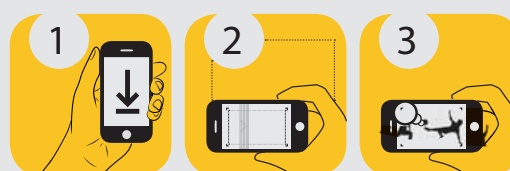
Love me long time

Events help Presley's estate cultivate a fan base decades after radio stations stopped playing Love Me Tender.

- Organizers have tweaked the festival to keep up with the changing demographics. For example, they ditched sock hops and replaced them with an after-hours party more familiar to millennials.

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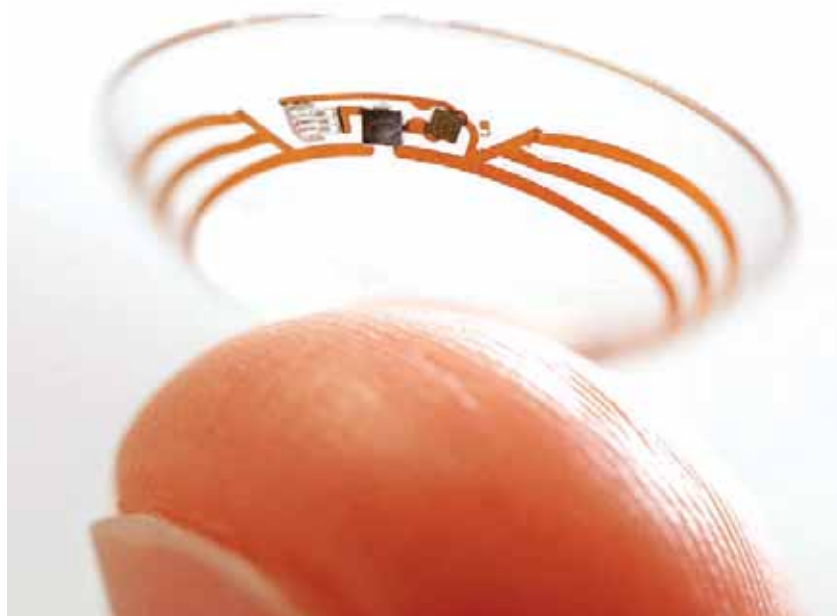
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While it could fit comfortably in the "Meanwhile in Russia" file, this clip of a motorcyclist who rudely found himself on the roof of the car in front of him, courtesy of the front of the car behind him, is exported from another reliable supplier of street malfeasance videos: Australia.

Though "all kinds of (messed) up" from the ordeal, the driver luckily survived. As for the (messed) in the previous sentence, the word it replaces is unsurprisingly muttered here. Let's call it a "muffled grunt." (Madchodo/YouTube)



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Google sees a market for a 'smart' contact lens

A smart contact lens is shown in this image released by Google in January. Swiss drug developer Novartis will team with technology giant Google to develop a "smart" contact lens that could improve some eye conditions or help diabetics manage their disease. Terms of the agreement between the companies were not detailed in a statement released Tuesday by Novartis. The drug maker said its Alcon eye-care division will license Google technology and work with a team from Google to develop a lens that uses microchips and miniaturized electronics. Novartis is focused on developing a contact lens that can provide a continuous measurement of glucose levels in diabetic patients by measuring tear fluid. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Weighing security vs. privacy in Britain

Parliament. Lawmakers push bill requiring phone and Internet companies to store call and search records for an entire year

British lawmakers debated the balance between privacy and security Tuesday during an unusual one-day session designed to rush an online surveillance

bill through Parliament.

A series of government and opposition legislators spoke in the House of Commons to condemn the Data Retention and Investigatory Powers Bill, which requires phone and Internet companies to store call and search records for a year.

Home Secretary Theresa May said the data is "vital in the fight against crime and the fight against terrorists."

But Labour lawmaker Jeremy Corbyn called the bill "a massive

piece of intrusion into people's lives," and Conservative David Davis said the legislation was intrusive and ill-conceived.

"While this may be law by the end of the week, it may be junk by the end of the year," Davis said.

Prime Minister David Cameron announced the emergency legislation last week, saying without it telecommunications providers would start deleting the information.

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Likely to be law

Despite the criticism, most British lawmakers did not attend the debate on Tuesday.

- The bill is backed by the three main party leaders and is almost certain to become law in Britain.

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New chip flavour brewing. Cappuccino-flavoured Lay's to hit stores in U.S.

American palates have changed considerably over the years, but is the country ready for cappuccino-flavoured Lay's?

Frito-Lay, the snack division of PepsiCo Inc., will announce on Wednesday the coffee-flavoured chips as one of the four finalists for its second annual "Do Us a Flavor" contest in the U.S., which gives people

a chance to create a new potato chip that is sold nationally and win \$1 million US. The other three finalists are Cheddar Bacon Mac & Cheese, Mango Salsa and Wasabi Ginger.

The four flavours are expected to start hitting shelves soon. People will then be able to vote online for their favourite.

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Canadian home sales heated up in June to their best pace since March 2010 after a sluggish start to the year due to the frigid winter and late spring.

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Sex Tape spawn of getting it on

Sexcapades. Hitting record before hitting the sack is a popular if not always private pastime



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For many people, especially those who troll around in the more unsavoury corners of the Internet, the first exposure to celebs like Paris Hilton and Kim Kardashian came from that most modern form of celebrity introduction: the sex tape.

Paris and Kim's videoed sexcapades weren't the first tapes to become public — in 1988 Rob Lowe was embarrassed when VHS images of him and two women popped up on the news — and they weren't the last.

This week in *Sex Tape*, Jason Segel and Cameron Diaz are Jay and Annie, a married couple who try to spice things up in the bedroom by videotaping themselves. All goes well until Jay forgets to erase the tape and mistakenly stores it on the cloud. "Our sex tape has been synced to several devices," he says, "all of which are in the possession of friends!"

Given how many actors have appeared in sex tapes it's not surprising that several movies have used the raunchy videos as a plot point.

In *Brüno*, the titular Austrian fashion reporter (Sacha Baron Cohen) tries to make



Jason Segel and Cameron Diaz play a married couple who videotape themselves in *Sex Tape*. CONTRIBUTED

a name for himself in America by making a sex tape with another famous American, U.S. Congressman Ron Paul. Trouble was, Paul wasn't in on the joke. "I was expecting an interview on Austrian economics," said Paul. "But, by the time he started pulling his pants down, I was like 'What is going on here?' I ran out of the room. This interview has ended."

The 2006 comedy *Drop Box* has production values not unlike that of an actual sex tape but despite its low budget it offers up the funny and often brutal story about Mindy (Rachel Sehl), a big-time bub-

blem pop star (think Britney or Miley), who accidentally returns her homemade sex tape to her local video store instead of the movie she rented. Realizing her mistake, she tries to re-rent the tape. It's a character study about a spoiled pop princess who butts heads with an unmovable force in the form of the uncooperative and inquisitive clerk (David Cormican).

Finally, *Auto Focus* exposes sex tapes' dark side. Hogan's Heroes star Bob Crane's (Greg Kinnear) all-American public persona hid a secret obsession. According to the film, he liked making sex tapes with women,

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usually without their knowledge. The movie speculates his 1978 murder may have been related to this unlawful pastime.

Sugar skull treat. Book of Life animates Mexican folklore

Guillermo del Toro is helping to open the *Book of Life*.

The Oscar winner is producing the animated feature by first-time director Jorge Gutierrez, and joined him at Fox Studios on Monday to unveil footage from the film, set for release in October.

Book of Life is rich with imagery from Mexican folklore, with a special emphasis on the Day of the Dead, the food- and music-filled celebration of the annual return of the spirits of deceased loved ones.

Del Toro said he was moved by Gutierrez's emotional, visual and narrative connection to Mexico.

Book of Life centres on two best friends angling for the girl of their dreams, not realizing that otherworldly powers have a stake in the outcome. The leaders of the underworlds, the Land of the Remembered and the Land of the Forgotten, make a wager on which lover the girl will choose.

Zoe Saldana, Channing Tatum and Diego Luna lead the voice cast. The film also features ranchera interpretations of popular songs by Mumford & Sons, Radiohead, Rod Stewart and others.

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Television

Seinfeld came to be out of a talk about nothing

The Seinfeld 25-year anniversary retrospectives keep coming with Larry David sitting down to chat with Rolling Stone magazine. Interestingly, he recalls that the idea for the show about nothing originated from bantering with Jerry Seinfeld in a supermarket. "We were in a grocery store and talking about the



Larry David
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different products on the shelves. And we were making each other laugh. Then we both realized that this is the kind of dialogue we never really heard on television, or even movies, for that matter. So that was sort of the basis — that was just the way we communicated and the things that we talked about." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Film

Redford to play Rather in Truth

Robert Redford will play Dan Rather in a film about the former CBS anchor's disputed report about President George W. Bush's National Guard service.

The film, titled Truth, will be adapted from the memoir Truth And Duty: The Press, The President, And The Privilege Of Power by former CBS producer Mary Mapes, said

the production company, Mythology Entertainment. Cate Blanchett is signed on to play Mapes.

The movie will chronicle the scandal that erupted after Rather's 2004 report for 60 Minutes II, produced by Mapes. The story cited documents as proof of preferential treatment for Bush during the Vietnam War that were not authenticated by CBS. Mapes was fired, and Rather departed the CBS Evening News months later. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

From ethically void to searching for justice

The Divide. Star of Scandal steps behind the camera for new show that examines holes in U.S. justice

Tony Goldwyn has displayed a lack of ethics in the White House. As President Fitzgerald Grant on ABC's hit melodrama Scandal, he has cheated on his wife right under her nose and even smothered a pesky Supreme Court justice on her sickbed.

But in his behind-the-camera roles as producer, director and writer, Goldwyn is exposing the ethical minefields of the justice system in a fine new drama The Divide.

This eight-episode series, which premieres on WE tv on Wednesday (9 p.m. EDT), teams Goldwyn with fellow creator and producer Richard LaGravenese (writer of last year's HBO film Behind the Candelabra), who penned the two-hour debut.

Inspired by the real-life Innocence Project (which works to exonerate wrongfully convicted people through DNA testing), The Divide focuses on a young Philadelphia lawyer named Christina Rosa, who has joined the Innocence Initiative and become obsessed with winning a last-ditch appeal for a white inmate soon facing execution for the murder of a black family.

As Christina (series star Marin Ireland) and her boss (Paul Schneider) probe inconsistencies in the case, they butt heads with the city's charismatic African-American dis-



Damon Gupton, left, and director Tony Goldwyn on the set of The Divide. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

trict attorney (Damon Gupton), even as he begins to acknowledge problems with the racially charged verdict, which vaulted him to prominence a dozen years ago but, if it came apart now, could be his undoing.

"In the past," Goldwyn says, "I had assumed that if someone's in prison, they probably did it. I didn't realize how much grey area there is in our justice system, and how many cracks catch people without money and influence. On the show, we try to come to terms with the ambiguity of human nature," adds LaGravenese. "In the Writers Room, I said, 'Let's get rid of words like good and bad.' That's not what our show is about."

The two first worked together when LaGravenese

did a script rewrite for the Goldwyn-directed 2010 film Conviction, which starred Hilary Swank in a dramatization of an actual Innocence Project case. When that was done, says Goldwyn, "I wanted to explore the Innocence Project further. I thought a TV series would be a great way."

After months of hashing out ideas, then crafting a proposal for the series they conceived, they landed a deal with the corporate parent of AMC to film a pilot. Time passed. Then so did AMC on the series. But a sister network, WE tv, stepped up.

WE tv, in the midst of a network-wide rebranding, claimed The Divide as its first-ever scripted series — a hoped-for repeat of how, in 2007, a

new drama called Mad Men heralded the revamping of AMC.

Goldwyn and LaGravenese went back to work to beef up the narrative in preparation for adding and reshooting scenes for the pilot. Goldwyn had landed the original deal for The Divide before committing to Scandal, but despite those "presidential" duties (which he resumes for season four later this month), he says the show was generous in giving him freedom to develop The Divide.

And when Scandal took a two-month hiatus in the middle of last season, Goldwyn was able to head to Toronto, where he directed the first two episodes of The Divide as it sprang to life again. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Orphan Black. Sci-fi show gets Emmy snub yet again

There are no Emmy nominations for sci-fi critical darling Orphan Black once again this year, but the show's cast and crew can take solace in the on-line outrage that followed the snub.

New York magazine's Vulture blog tries to explain why star Tatiana Maslany was passed over yet again and notes that Emmy voters traditionally don't give the time of day to sci-fi fare, favouring big, hyped dramas.

"Maslany may be a superstar shape-shifter in your heart, but picking up votes in the drama categories is notoriously difficult unless you're on a prestige show, or in the case of Scandal's Kerry Washington, the hottest show on television," says Vulture. "Maslany has on-line buzz by the boatload, and famous outspoken champions like Damon Lindelof and Patton Oswalt, but none of that adds up to actual star power."

"But take heart, Orphan Black fans. Tatiana Maslany is in good company: Emmy voters ignored Buffy the Vampire Slayer's Sarah Michelle Gellar for years."

The magazine calling Maslany's character Helena "TV's

In good company

"Take heart Orphan Black fans. Tatiana Maslany is in good company: Emmy voters ignored Buffy the Vampire Slayer's Sarah Michelle Gellar for years."

New York magazine's Vulture blog

best female monster yet."

Orphan Black lulls the viewer into thinking Helena is just a mishmash of horror villain tropes before revealing something much deeper, argues the magazine.

"In Orphan Black, the victim becomes the victim again with bewildering and humorous ease. Just when you think you've settled, the camera cocks its head, says 'Don't be a baby,' and refuses to let things be so simple. The camera confounds our relationship to Helena by seesawing the horror script, and in doing so, makes us rethink what a female monster can be. You're forced to shift your sympathies on a shot-by-shot basis."

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Tatiana Maslany has plenty of online buzz, but that hasn't seemed to sway Emmy voters. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Archie in his final moments of life in the comic book, *Life with Archie*, issue 37. ARCHIE COMICS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Comic book icon to die saving gay friend

Archie. Violent death of wholesome redhead who first appeared in comics in 1941 opens door to new Riverdale

Archie Andrews will die taking a bullet for his gay best friend.

The famous freckle-faced comic book icon is meeting his demise in Wednesday's installment of *Life with Archie* when he intervenes in an assassination attempt on Kevin Keller, Archie Comics' first openly gay character. Andrews' death, which was first announced in April, will mark the conclusion of the series that focuses on grown-up renditions of Andrews and his Riverdale pals.

"The way in which Archie dies is everything that you would expect of Archie," said Jon Goldwater, Archie Comics publisher and co-CEO. "He

Other comic-hero deaths

In recent years, deaths of high-profile comic book characters like Peter "Spider-Man" Parker and Steve "Captain America" Rogers have made headlines and garnered intense reaction from fans.

- Goldwater notes that Andrews' passing isn't just a publicity stunt, but also a lesson about gun violence and a declaration of diversity in the new age of Archie Comics.

dies heroically. He dies selflessly. He dies in the manner that epitomizes not only the best of Riverdale but the best of all of us. It's what Archie has come to represent over the past almost 75 years."

Keller's character first

joined Veronica Lodge, Betty Cooper, Jughead Jones and Reggie Mantle in the Archie Comics spinoff *Veronica* in 2010. He later appeared in his own solo title. In *Life with Archie*, Keller is a married military veteran and newly elected senator who's pushing for more gun control in Riverdale after his husband was involved in a shooting.

"We wanted to do something that was impactful that would really resonate with the world and bring home just how important Archie is to everyone," said Goldwater. "That's how we came up with the storyline of saving Kevin. He could have saved Betty. He could have saved Veronica. We get that, but metaphorically, by saving Kevin, a new Riverdale is born."

Who shot Archie? Goldwater isn't spoiling the killer, only teasing it's a stalker who wanted to take Keller down.

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Beyoncé and Jay-Z are On the Run with a marriage counsellor

Jay-Z and Beyoncé reportedly have added a new member to their summer tour entourage: A marriage counsellor — well, virtually at least. Sources tell the Daily Mirror that the married moguls have been meeting with a therapist via Skype while on the road to keep their relationship on course. "It might sound drastic but, in America

especially, counselling is fairly standard practice," a source says. "They have known their therapist for a long time and try to have weekly sessions just to keep communication open and make sure there are no misunderstandings. It's about maintenance rather than trying to fix anything hugely wrong."



Zoe Saldana

Zoe compares her quick marriage to buying jeans — no window shopping

Zoe Saldana doesn't care if people think she and her husband of one year, Marco Perego, got hitched too soon after they started dating. "I don't do the ABCs," she tells Marie Claire. "I do what my heart says, what my heart feels. So from the moment I met my husband, we were together. We knew." The Guardians of the Galaxy star

applies the same attitude to shopping as she does to her marriage. "I don't just window shop. I don't have the time or the energy or the attention span for that," she says. "I need a pair of jeans, I go and — boom — get them. I met my husband, I wasn't going to try it out and see if it works. No, I felt it. I went with the feeling."

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Lohan feels London calling and considers long-term commitment



Lindsay Lohan is almost officially London's problem, so everybody just keep quiet until she's gone, OK?

The troubled starlet has been living it up across the pond, but now that's she finally scored herself a gig

over there, she's eager to make the move permanent, to the relief of drivers and nightclub patrons across the U.S.

"I have a great place. It's very light and I feel safe," Lohan tells the Daily Express. "I think I am making the move to come over here."

Lohan starts her run on the West End stage later this year, and she's already looking to head off speculation that she'll flake out on work.

"I'm at a place in my life where I like the commitment. I'm looking forward to that part of it," she says.

You go, girl. No, really. Go.

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Hugh Laurie

Laurie caught off guard at border by Serbian fan who made off with his passport

Sometimes diehard fans can be a real drag, as Hugh Laurie learned while travelling across Eastern Europe this week. The former House star tweeted about an unfortunate hold-up with a Serbian official while on tour with

his blues group, Copper Bottom Band. "Crossed into Serbia but had to turn back an hour later," Laurie wrote. "Border guard had kept my passport to make a photocopy as a souvenir. Smashing!"

Twitter



@KevinHart4real

Approaching 11 million followers people....I'm about to buy everybody milk & cookies. I love u all more & more everyday!!



@mindykaling

I think Billy Joel is my favorite musician of all time, I realized this just now as I'm watching YouTube videos of him instead of writing.



@SarahKSilverman

I just noticed myself marching alone in my apartment yelling "RAAARRRRRRR!"

LIFE 3

One wet and wild adventure

Welcome to the world's tallest waterslide. What's it like hurtling down a water track at over 100 km/hr? Read on!

Halfway up the 264 stairs leading to the top of the world's tallest waterslide, it is clear this is the most breathtaking ride you'll ever encounter.

And that's before you ever step foot in the raft.

Two-thirds of the way up the circular stairs is a sign that says you've reached the height of the Statue of Liberty.

A few dozen more steps and you've reached the level of Niagara Falls — and the relief that despite being a little light-headed, you're going to make it to the top of the ride called "Verrückt" — German for "insane."

From a distance, the waterslide at the edge of Schlitterbahn Waterpark, about 25 kilometres west of downtown Kansas City, Mo., doesn't look so scary.

Even from just below the 51-metre structure, it's easy to dismiss the steepness of the first plunge if you've not been to the top and watched nervously as the gate opens and your raft starts creeping to the edge.

But the steady screams of grown men and women clinging to their rafts as they nosedive through bursts of water are proof this ride is anything but tame.

Before being allowed to



The ride can hit speeds of up to 112 kilometres per hour. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rider beware

Among the warnings delivered to riders before they start their ascent is that one of the possible hazards of going down the waterslide is ... death.

climb the stairs to Verrückt, two or three riders at a time step onto a scale to make sure their combined weight isn't over 550 pounds.

A park worker then reads a two-page list that's as much a warning as it is

a disclaimer that Verrückt isn't for the faint of heart (or anyone who is overweight, has a history of back problems or is pregnant).

Among the warnings delivered to riders before they



From the top, the plunge is higher than Niagara Falls. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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up and flown over the edge, destroying upon its impact with the ground both the vessel and the sandbag people it was carrying.

Verrückt's designer, Jeff Henry, says that he wore cowboy boots his first time down because if he was going to die, he wanted to go with his boots on.

The raft inches into position, and all you see is the sky.

It's the scariest part so far, the feeling of moving closer to the drop.

That plunge goes fast, up to 112 kilometres per hour. So fast that water shoots up over the sides of the raft.

By the time you open your eyes — a matter of seconds — you've reached the bottom and your mind gropes for an explanation of what just happened.

You'll feel elated that you've just had the guts to conquer what Henry calls "the baddest ride ever built."

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

start their ascent is that one of the possible hazards of going down the waterslide is ... death.

Once riders reach the top platform, where they will climb aboard the raft, each team of riders steps onto another scale and is weighed again.

It isn't until you stand on the platform waiting for your heart to stop pounding that you begin to get a little anxious about boarding the raft — the same kind that during testing just weeks earlier had lifted

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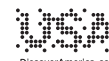
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The West Beach in Grand Beach on Lake Winnipeg has been named one of the best beaches in the world by Playboy Magazine. iStock

Hey Canada! It's time to hit the beach

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Grab your sunblock. Canada has a beach for everyone.

Best for family

The second-largest freshwater beach in the world, Ontario's Sauble Beach offers 11 kilometres of sand and shallow warm water ideal for swimming. Attractions include amusement parks, bars, playgrounds and go-karts. Located along the shore of Lake Huron west of Owen Sound, the friendly town of Sauble Beach

is teeming with visitors, which makes for great people-watching.

Best for beach culture

With views of the Coast Mountain Range and the Strait of Georgia, the traditional beach resort town of Qualicum Beach, B.C., is one of the "grande dames" of Canadian seaside destinations. Sandy beaches make it a popular spot for swimming and beachcombing. The town has beautiful and extensive private gardens and a lively local theatre and music scene that provides plenty of evening entertainment.

Best for surfers

Located in Nova Scotia about an hour's drive east of Halifax, Martinique Beach is the longest sandy beach in the province. Quiet and underpopulated, it's the incredible wind and waves that draw surfers from around

the world. As a protected bird sanctuary, visitors to the beach will also have the chance to spot Canadian geese, black ducks and the endangered Piper Plover.

Best beach in the Prairies

Located an hour north of Winnipeg on Lake Winnipeg, Grand Beach, Man., is actually two beaches stretching for a total of three kilometres. The West Beach has the distinction of being named as one of the world's best beaches by Playboy Magazine, while the East Beach is quieter and popular with families. Both have access to the clear freshwater lake and long stretches of sand, including 12 metre-high sand dunes. Grand Beach Provincial Park is undergoing a three-phase rejuvenation project, including a strengthened, paved boardwalk at a cost of approximately \$2.7 million.

Bucket list

The Grand Canal in Venice

Is Venice really sinking? Yes, and it has been since it was built, so don't worry about it. Founded on merchant trade, ship building, luxury goods, silk and glass, Venice has always been a gracious host to visitors. This city of 60,000 is made up of a series of 100+ islands with almost 200 canals and more than 400 bridges, plus a tidal lagoon protected by a series of sandbars (called the Lido). Give yourself at least a week to get the



feel for the place, the art, the history, the amazing Byzantine architecture — and the Venetians themselves. Getting around is easier than you would think: The transit gondolas (tragettos) get the Venetians where they're going

for 1 euro. On foot, it will take you about one hour to walk from one end of Venice to the other. Keep an eye out for the early Renaissance, white marble-clad Santa Maria dei Miracoli, built in the 1480s.

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Meet mentors from many miles away

E-nspiration. Students in the far North get guidance from experts all over the country through an e-mentoring program

Every Thursday afternoon, Ryerson University professor Beau Standish would get an email from a teenager in a classroom in Whitehorse, picking his brains from 4,000 kilometres away about careers in science and engineering.

Later, after the medical biophysicist tucked his own kids into bed, he would respond with all the facts and fervour

Not to worry!

- TalentEgg will return with its regularly scheduled content next Wednesday. Visit metronews.ca/talentegg to read TalentEgg features you may have missed the first time.

Love what you learn

"We wanted to find a way to empower students in the North to understand the rewards of staying in school — and everyone can benefit from a mentor."

Josh Silvertown
Founder of DreamCatcher Mentoring

expected of any good mentor. Call him an e-mentor.

Standish is one of more than 800 Canadian professionals who have offered to give long-distance career tips and encouragement to some of Canada's most far-flung northern students through a non-profit program called DreamCatcher Mentoring. DreamCatcher matches students with professionals in their "dream careers."

It's like e-dating, only with mentors.

"She had lots of great questions, from 'What do you do in an average day?' to 'How hard do you have to study?'" said



Josh Silvertown founded DreamCatcher Mentoring to help students understand the rewards of staying in school. MARTA IWANEK/TORONTO STAR

Standish, who would send the student information on everything from scholarships to individual engineering schools. He was pleased when his long-distance protégé signed up for an introductory program at the University of Waterloo for students keen on engineering.

Some 1,500 students from across the Yukon, Northwest

Territories and Nunavut have taken part in the program over the past decade, ever since Toronto cancer researcher and entrepreneur Josh Silvertown launched it as a way to tackle high dropout rates in Canada's North. About half of the participants are aboriginal students.

The program has been so

successful — the Yukon department of education said about 94 per cent of participants seem to stay in school — that he has given it to Big Brothers and Big Sisters of Canada to manage and expand this fall.

"We wanted to find a way to empower students in the North to understand the rewards of staying in school — and everyone can benefit from a mentor," said Silvertown.

He said giving his non-profit to another non-profit is a case study in altruistic amalgamation, something that more of Canada's 100,000 non-profits might consider as they compete for public support.

Grade 10 student Hannah Pater of Whitehorse was matched up with a marine biologist from the Maritimes, who she says "was really helpful explaining the variety of areas you can go into — Coast Guard, crustaceans, seaweed ..."

"I've always been interested in the ocean, but I thought of marine biology as one big field, and she helped me straighten out my path," said Hannah. "A lot of my friends found it

It's all about credibility

Mentoring lies at the heart of the Big Brothers Big Sisters' philosophy, so it made sense for the organization to take charge of DreamCatcher, whose technology can be used in ways beyond just career advice, said chief executive officer Bruce MacDonald.

- "We'll keep it in the 26 communities where it's established and look at expanding to new markets in the North, but there are also other ways it could be used in the South and in cities," said MacDonald — "maybe for urban immigrant populations or even men and women serving overseas in the military."

eye-opening to learn more about their dream careers, and some even decided it wasn't for them and are happy they found out before they got into the field." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Facing the feedback

Reviewing your review strategy. What's the best way to receive constructive criticism from your supervisor?

LAKSHMI GANDHI
Metro World News

The annual performance review can be nerve-racking for even the most confident of employees. And according to a new book by Harvard Law professors Douglas Stone and Sheila Heen, many managers say they hate giving feedback. So how can workplaces break this vicious cycle? Douglas Stone shares these suggestions.

Go into the meeting prepared "Ask yourself: What's the worst that can happen?" says Stone. "We often have a tendency to exaggerate the extent of the feedback. Let's say I tell you, 'You are singing off-key.' In your head, you might be thinking, 'He's saying that I'm awful and that I might never get another job.' But all I'm really saying is that you are singing off-key."



Remember that a performance review is intended to be helpful, rather than hurtful. iSTOCK

Ask for specifics

The term "feedback" is so broad that supervisors may not know where to start. "Instead, just ask for one thing," Stone says. "Say you are trying to get better in general, and ask if there is one thing that you should work on."

Say what you mean

Managers should try to be as clear as possible when giving feedback, says Stone. "Take an employee who is told something like, 'You have to be assertive,' or 'Take more initiative.' Those kinds of phrases don't have independent mean-

ing." Instead, he suggests that managers give an example of what they'd like to see.

Take the feedback in good faith

Stone says that there are two reactions most people have to feedback.

"No. 1 is that it is upsetting," he says.

"No. 2 is that it is wrong. (So) the question is: Is it wrong or not? We dismiss feedback because we believe it is wrong. Let's say someone says you are aloof, and you think 'I'm not aloof, I talk to my co-workers.' It's important to think of what else that could mean. Ask yourself, 'Am I aloof with the clerical staff? Am I aloof with supervisors?'"

Know yourself

If you think you may have a tendency to take feedback very personally, Stone says it's important to take a step back.

"It's knowing your own patterns of behaviour and being aware that we exaggerate (the severity of the criticism)."

As for readers who feel like a bad performance review is the end of the world, he says they should do this very simple thing: "Ask yourself, am I always going to feel that way?"

Give veggies kid appeal by adding spaghetti for twist on pasta salad



This recipe makes six servings and can be served hot or cold. EMILY RICHARDS

Salad Spotlight. Metro's third day in a weeklong lightening of your plate includes grilled fresh vegetables bursting with summer flavour



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Gardens are brimming with vegetables that are ready to be picked and grilled to enjoy in every way possible.

If you don't have a garden full of veggies, be sure to head to the farmer's market to pick up some of these delicious ingredients.

It is a special time of year when we can see and smell all the wonders that grow around us. Fresh herbs are in abundance as well, so feel free to add extra to enjoy that summer flavour.

Using spaghetti for this pasta salad gives it a fun kid appeal while adults will love the colour and flavour of the grilled vegetables.

You can enjoy this salad warm or cold. If you love vinegar, add an extra splash before serving it cold.

1. In a pot of boiling water, cook spaghetti for about 8 minutes or until al dente. Drain and rinse with cold water. Drain well and place in large bowl.

2. In another large bowl, toss sliced carrots, sliced eggplant, quartered orange and yellow pepper and sliced zucchini with oil to coat.

3. Place on greased grill with cobs of corn over medium high heat for about 10 minutes, turning once or until tender and golden.

4. When they have cooled enough to handle, place all

of the grilled vegetables on a cutting board and cut them into bite-size pieces. Add the vegetables to the bowl of spaghetti.

5. In a small bowl, whisk together the vinegar, vegetable broth, pesto and freshly ground black pepper. Pour over the vegetable and spaghetti mixture, add fresh basil and toss to coat evenly.

Cooking tips

Here are some ways to make this salad work for you.

- **Take it to go.** This is a great salad to tote along on a picnic or bring out for a family gathering this summer. I also like to keep it in the fridge and for lunch add leftover grilled chicken, shrimp or salmon. It really does go with everything.

- **Grilling technique.** When grilling vegetables, be sure to have a clean, well-greased grill and monitor the heat. You know your barbecue, so if it runs hot at medium-high be sure to turn it to medium for this recipe so you don't have charred vegetables. The flavour is more appealing with that hint of smokiness and it's also a healthier option!

Ingredients

- 4 oz (125 g) spaghetti, broken in smaller pieces
- 2 carrots, sliced lengthwise
- 1 eggplant (about 1 lb/454 g), sliced lengthwise
- 1 each orange and yellow pepper, quartered
- 1 zucchini, sliced lengthwise
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) canola oil
- 2 cobs of corn, husked
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) apple cider or balsamic vinegar
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) vegetable broth
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) prepared basil pesto
- Pinch freshly ground black pepper
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) chopped fresh basil

A Middle Eastern touch

1. Use box grater to coarsely grate the zucchini. Transfer to a strainer. Toss the zucchini with 1/2 teaspoon of salt and let it drain over the sink for 15 minutes. When drained, working

with a small handful at a time, squeeze out zucchini to get rid of as much liquid as possible.

2. While the zucchini is draining, in a nonstick skillet, heat

oil over medium. Add the onion and cook, stirring occasionally, for 6 minutes, or until golden brown. Add squeezed zucchini and cook, stirring, 1 minute. Transfer mixture to a medium bowl and let it cool to room temperature.

3. Heat a grill to medium.

4. Sauce: Combine yogurt, 1/2 teaspoon garlic, 1 teaspoon lemon zest, and salt and pepper to taste. Set aside.

5. When zucchini mix cools, add lamb, oregano, remaining lemon zest, remaining garlic,



This Grilled Middle Eastern Lamb Burger with Garlic Sauce recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

and 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Mix well, then shape into 4 patties, each about 1/2 inch thick. Spray burgers lightly with olive oil

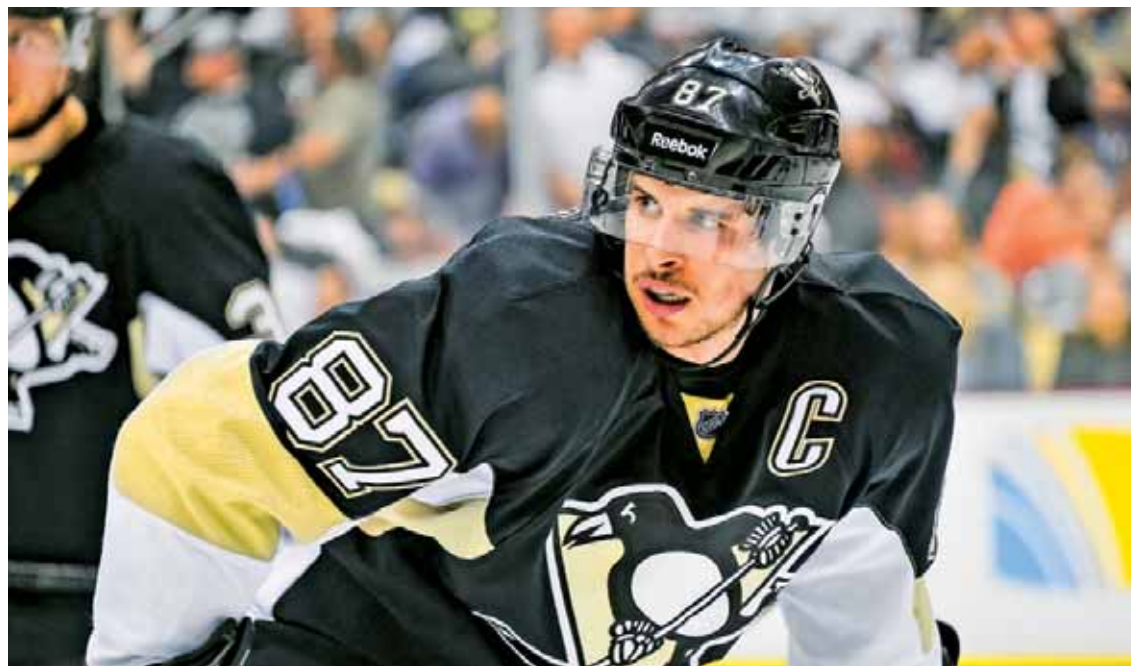
cooking spray, then grill until medium-rare, 4 minutes per side.

6. Serve each burger in a

pita half, topped with the garlic sauce, carrots and cucumber. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/ SARA MOULTON, AUTHOR OF SARA MOULTON'S EVERYDAY FAMILY DINNERS**

Ingredients

- 1 medium zucchini (10 oz)
- Kosher salt
- 1 1/2 tbsp extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 cup finely chopped onion
- 1 cup nonfat Greek yogurt
- 1 1/2 tsp minced garlic, divided
- 2 tsp grated lemon zest, divided
- Ground black pepper
- 1 lb lean ground lamb
- 1 tbsp finely chopped fresh oregano
- Olive oil cooking spray
- 4 pita bread halves
- Grated carrots and chopped cucumbers, to serve



Crosby's wrist won't need surgery after all

Cole Harbour's Sidney Crosby does not need surgery on his injured wrist. The Penguins captain dealt with a wrist injury during the playoffs, and a report out of Pittsburgh last week indicated he needed surgery to fix the issue in time for training camp. But the Penguins announced Tuesday on Twitter that "after seeking additional medical advice, doctors have decided not to perform surgery on Sidney Crosby's wrist," adding that he will continue to receive treatment and be evaluated as he prepares for camp.

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Rainmen working on more signings

NBL Canada.

Levingston not done after bringing back head coach Hodges and guard Clinkscales

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The basketball season never really ended for Halifax Rainmen owner and president Andre Levingston.

From scouting to sponsorship, Levingston and staff have been getting ready for tip-off on the team's eighth year since the final buzzer sounded on their 2013-14 campaign in the National

Quoted



"A team that wins, naturally, is going to put more people in the stands. We just want everybody to love and embrace this team as their own."

Halifax Rainmen owner and president Andre Levingston

Basketball League of Canada.

"We started the day after we got knocked out of the playoffs," he said Tuesday. "It has been really, really busy."

For Levingston, that includes travelling the continent to check out talent, in places such as the Los Angeles Summer Pro League and The Basketball Tournament, held in Philadelphia last month.

Bringing back Craig Hodg-

es as head coach "gives us that confidence and stability for players that love to play for him," he said.

The Rainmen also resigned all-star point guard Cliff Clinkscales last month, and Levingston expects more players to announce their return to the roster in the near future.

"I anticipate (they'll come back) in the next couple of

weeks," Levingston said, noting the annual overseas basketball combine was held in Las Vegas over the weekend. "There are only so many jobs, and once that's over ... then your phones start ringing off the hook with guys looking for opportunities."

Levingston is in Toronto this week "working on league business," including preparation for the 2014 NBL Canada pre-draft combine and pre-combine training program, taking place Aug. 19 to 24 at the Athletes Institute in Orangeville, Ont.

The Halifax Rainmen snagged a first-round playoff win over the Saint John Mill Rats last season, although they fell to the Island Storm in the semifinals.

Rugby

N.S. Keltics win Eastern Canadian championships

All four of Nova Scotia's rugby teams that competed at the Eastern Canadian championships in Charlottetown, P.E.I., over the weekend won gold medals.

The accomplishment marks a history-making performance for the Nova Scotia Keltics, who won regional titles at the under-18 men, under-18 women, under-20 women and senior women levels, a Sport Nova Scotia news release said.

Nova Scotia shut out Newfoundland 17-0 in the senior women's division Sunday, then beat New Brunswick 14-5 in the men's under-18 final, dominated Prince Edward Island 41-0 in the under-20 women's championship and defeated Eastern Ontario 7-3 in the under-18 women's category to cap the event.

"To win all divisions and drop only one game in the entire tournament is truly special," Nova Scotia provincial coach Jack Hanratty said in a news release.

"I am excited for the future of rugby in this province," he said.

The under-18 men and women will head to Calgary to compete in national championships Aug. 3 to 10.

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Turtle power. Marchand makes a new friend

Boston Bruins forward Brad Marchand came out of his Twitter shell Tuesday.

The Hammonds Plains hockey star has apparently had some summer fun, as he posted a picture of a turtle to the social media platform, simply stating "caught myself a new pet."

It has created quite a stir



among the interviews, with teammates and fans alike responding and reacting to Marchand's new reptile friend.

"I like turtles ..." said Bos-

On Twitter

Follow Brad Marchand at @Bmarch63



to a news anchor.

"You should name it," said one fan, and hence forth came name suggestions, including "Hab," "Herman" and "ShowUpInPlayoffsMarchand."

By early Tuesday evening, Marchand's tweet had received 301 retweets and 1,158 "favourites."

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ton teammate Torey Krug, referring to a viral video featuring a kid dressed up as a zombie who said exactly that

New boss. Renney takes reins of Hockey Canada

Tom Renney is a hockey man, not a businessman. He and his wife once ran a clothing store in Trail, B.C., but since then he has been immersed in coaching.

So when Hockey Canada was searching for a new president and CEO and Renney emerged as a serious candidate, the 59-year-old didn't put on a masquerade.

"(Business is) not where his passion lies," Team Canada coach Mike Babcock said. "And it's not where his expertise lies. One thing about Tom: He knows what he is and he knows what he's not."

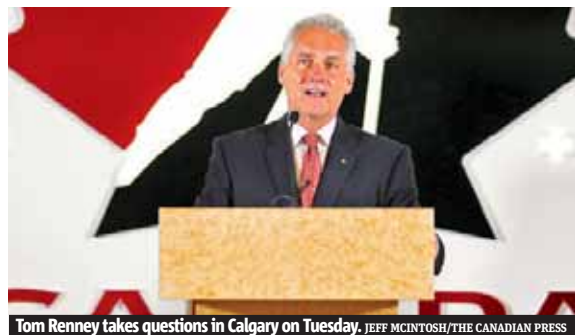
Renney, above all else, is a respected hockey man, and his decades of experience at the amateur, international and professional levels ultimately made

him Hockey Canada's choice to replace Bob Nicholson.

What separated Renney from other candidates, board of directors chairman Jim Hornell said, were his values base, his connections throughout the sport and his passion to grow the game.

"He's a people person, he connects well, he communicates well with people and certainly he's recognized not only in Canada but throughout the hockey world, and that's important," Hornell said on a conference call Tuesday. "It's important that we have someone who is knowledgeable in hockey but who is also recognized in hockey and can bring a team together."

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Tom Renney takes questions in Calgary on Tuesday. JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

World Cup champions

German team given heroes' welcome

At a party 24 years in the making, hundreds of thousands of Germans showed their admiration and adoration for their World Cup winners in a parade to the Brandenburg Gate on Tuesday.

The players, in matching black T-shirts bearing the number "1," lapped up the

love by playing up to the estimated 400,000 people packing the "fan mile" in front of the landmark.

Fans began arriving overnight to secure good spots to welcome home coach Joachim Loew's team. Germany's fourth World Cup, the first since 1990, crowned years of work by Loew to modernize the team, and followed near misses at recent tournaments. "We're all world champions!" Loew told the crowd. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Bastian Schweinsteiger holds up the World Cup trophy for fans during Germany's victory ceremony on Tuesday in Berlin. Scan the image with the Metro News app for additional photos from the celebration.

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Jeter pulls out vintage performance in final ASG

Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter bats against the National League during the 85th MLB All-Star Game at Target Field on Tuesday in Minneapolis, Minn. Jeter was a huge hit from the very start in his final all-star game. Batting leadoff for the American League, the 40-year-old soaked in an ovation that lasted more than a minute, then seized the moment Tuesday night by hitting a double. Jeter added a single and scored a run in the AL's 5-3 win.

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Tiger returns to new course with new game

British Open. Woods facing deeper field in campaign to end six-year major drought



Tiger Woods tees off during a practice round prior to the start of the 143rd British Open on Tuesday in Hoylake, England. STUART FRANKLIN/GETTY IMAGES

Tiger Woods was an hour into his practice round Tuesday at the British Open when he stood on the fifth tee with a foreign object in his hand.

In golf vernacular, it's called a driver.

Woods smashed it into the wind on the 528-yard hole and didn't need to watch where it landed to realize it was in the middle of the fairway. Later in the round, he hit another driver off the tee. That's twice as many as he hit over 72 holes when he won at Royal Liverpool eight years ago.

"This is a different golf course than what we played in '06," Woods said. "It was hot; ball was flying. It was very dusty. Now we're making ball marks on the greens, which we

weren't doing then."

So much has changed in so many areas.

Royal Liverpool, green and thick this time around, is still a firm and bouncy test of links golf. But it's nothing like it was in 2006, when the fairways were so baked and brown that

Woods hit only one drive in four rounds. That was on the 16th hole of the first round, and the ball wound up in the 17th fairway. He still made birdie.

But it's not just the golf course.

Woods is not the same player

er, having gone through three operations since — two on his left knee, the most recent surgery March 31 on his back. He used to win majors at a rate slightly better than one per year. Now he has gone six years without, dating to his 14th at Torrey Pines at the 2008 U.S. Open.

And the biggest change might be the guys who are trying to beat him.

Even though Woods is coming off a five-win season, he no longer is the strongest, biggest or longest player. Nineteen players have won majors since his last one.

"I think it gets harder every year just because the field gets deeper — more guys with a chance to win. What did we have, 16, 17 straight first-time winners?" Woods said, referring to one stretch when there were no repeat champions in 16 straight majors. "It's getting harder to win. The margin is so much smaller."

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Selig likes MLB return to Montreal, in theory

Baseball commissioner Bud Selig can envision Montreal making a bid to return to the major leagues.

The Expos joined the National League for the 1969 season and remained in the big leagues through 2004 before moving to Washington and becoming the Nationals. While the Expos failed to

draw a million spectators to Olympic Stadium in any of their final seven seasons, a total of 96,350 fans attended a pair of exhibition games there in March between the New York Mets and Toronto Blue Jays.

"I think they would be an excellent candidate in the future. No question about it.

That was very impressive," Selig said Tuesday.

"They have much work to be done," he said. "There's certainly in my case no hard or angry feeling toward Montreal. We tried to keep a team there. It's a long story now. But I thought that was marvelous."

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Market position

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Points

- Second model-year for current-generation version. Based on CD4 platform also under Ford Fusion.
- No premium charged for hybrid model. Same base price as gasoline-powered MKZ.
- More powerful lithium-ion battery pack translates to more electrical thrust and the ability to downsize gasoline engine to 2.0 litres (from 2.5 litres), for even better



The Lincoln MKZ Hybrid might appeal to the younger and more “culturally progressive.”

fuel efficiency (4.2 L/100 km combined).

Safety

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Review. Lincoln's MKZ Hybrid takes a different path to luxury

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It's hard to feel sorry for an inanimate object, especially for something as neat-oh and cool looking as this sophisticated 2014 Lincoln MKZ Hybrid.

But whomever I met with this Lincoln during my week with it seemed to address it with a smidgeon of something like discrimination — an ever-so-slightly turned up nose, if you will. They weren't sold on the idea of a Lincoln as a premium automotive brand, and they wondered

why hybrids are still being propagated as a desirable technology, especially in a luxury automobile.

Well, after my week, that dual underdog aspect of the Lincoln was just another thing that endured me to this luxury hybrid. It's far from perfect, but overall it's a great ride, with great looks and super fuel economy — 4.2 L/100 km city and highway.

A new and powerful lithium-ion battery pack meant Lincoln could upgrade the electrical motivation and move to a smaller (2.0-litre) gasoline engine.

Though it launches well, the combined 188 horsepower is not going to win you many street races. But to those of you who don't necessarily equate luxury with the zoom factor, you'll be perfect-



MKZ is based on the Ford Fusion and both exhibit excellent handling characteristics.

ly happy motoring around, especially if your priority is fuel economy and/or not having a big ecological footprint.

Yes, all Lincolns are based on a Ford. But Ford is making decent stuff these days. MKZ is based on the Ford Fusion and both exhibit excellent handling characteristics. As

a Lincoln, MKZ also benefits from a system called Lincoln Drive Control, which continually adjusts the suspension, the electric power steering feel and ratio, and a noise-suppression technology.

Note, however, that the MKZ is prioritized for spirited handling. The ride is surpris-

ingly firm and controlled — it's not a couch on wheels like Lincolns of yore.

I thought the steering became too light, too fast when braking to stop, but otherwise the Drive Control was unobtrusive and effective.

The bigger caveat is the finicky nature of the touch-sensitive sliders and buttons on the instrument panel. It takes too much brainpower to do simple things like tune the radio and turn the fan down. (I know rotary knobs don't look or feel high-tech, but you know what? THEY WORK.)

The distinctive way the rear of the cabin is styled is an acquired taste. It also makes ingress and egress and the rear seating area a bit smaller than it might have been. But I love the way the front of the car looks. Very classy.

Shift: From hybrids, technology, new vehicles and the environment, to saving money at the pumps

Bamboo better than carbon fibre?

Even before it has really taken off as a deeply ingrained construction material in mass-production automobiles, carbon fibre's day might already have come and gone ... eclipsed by bamboo. California surfboard manufacturer Gary Young argues that with the right approach, bamboo can be used in many applications in the auto industry "where its performance qualities can better carbon fibre's." He told Britain's BBCAutos.com that bamboo fiber is in most cases just as strong as carbon, much cheaper to buy and more environment friendly. Hailed for its incredible light weight and strength, carbon fibre is still expensive to make in large pieces and quantities, requires copious energy to manufacture, is not recyclable and uses toxic chemicals in its production. **ALL TEXT WHEELBASE MEDIA**



More frugal Ferraris will maintain performance

Having curbed its fleet-wide carbon dioxide emissions by almost 40 per cent since 2007, Ferrari says it figures it can achieve a further 20 per cent reduction by 2021, using primarily smaller engines with turbocharging and hybrid technologies. "We want to use all the available technologies to reduce emissions by three per cent each year, which means approximately 20 per cent by 2021," Ferrari powertrain director Vittorio Dini told industry reporter Automotive News recently. Ferrari will add turbochargers to all of its V8 models and gas-electric hybrid systems to all of its V12s. None of that will make a difference in the big picture — Ferrari sold 7,318 cars in 2012 — but it's good to see the automaker's storied engineering muscle contribute to the cause.



Shift points

- BMW expects to be building 100,000 electric cars a year by 2020. Management board chairman Norbert Reithofer told Automotive News that plug-in vehicle production would steadily increase by 2018 before hitting full stride at the end of the decade.
- Honda announced that Californians interested in buying its Civic Natural Gas model will be eligible for a \$1,000 US credit at any certified Honda Natural Gas dealer.
- Hyundai delivered its first Tucson fuel-cell-powered vehicle to a family in Southern California in mid-June. Hyundai will initially offer the Tucson Fuel Cell on a lease program to customers in the Los Angeles/Orange County areas, where it has approved six stations with appropriate hydrogen fuel pumps.

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Toyota presents the redesigned 2015 Camry to the press at the New York Auto Show earlier this year. JILL MCINTOSH/FOR METRO

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It takes a great deal of time, work, and money to redesign a car, but even as a new model comes to market, auto companies are busy updating it.

"The competition is fierce," says Kevin Hunter, president of Caltix Design Research, Toyota's design studio in California. "But we always have to consider the customer when we 'move the needle.'"

Generally, brand-new models are introduced, "refreshed" about halfway through their life cycle, and then completely redesigned again as all-new.

In the past, the refresh would usually be minor and take a few years, but many automakers are now updating their models sooner, and more extensively, to stay competitive. Hunter's team has sent out a Toyota Camry for 2015 that uses the 2014 model's platform and engine, but with radically updated interior and exterior styling.

Refreshed styling is actually far more difficult than creating a car from scratch,

Hunter says, because designers have to work within the constraints of the current car, including its overall size, shape, and interior configuration.

At the same time, the redesign has to be extensive enough that buyers can tell at a glance that the vehicle's been changed.

Even as they alter the car's appearance, designers have to maintain the integrity of the original engineering.

Quoted

"We start on the next one as soon as (the current one) hits the showrooms. We always try to go as far as we can, without getting so radical that the customer may not appreciate it."

Kevin Hunter, president of Caltix Design Research

Altering the vehicle's aerodynamics can negatively affect its fuel economy, while new curves or shapes have to meet the realities of mass production, and any changes to the steering or suspension must be extensively tested.

Automakers don't take redesigns lightly, as they're very expensive.

In addition to the costs of design and engineering, production facilities have to be retooled to make the new parts, and suppliers have to accommodate the updated designs.

A redesigned model also goes through the same launch process as an all-new model.

The company has to produce new advertising and commercials, print new brochures and sales material for its dealers, update its website, and present the car to the media.

Toyota says that most mainstream-model customers only spend about 30 days deciding which car to buy, and the company has to focus on advertising until there are enough of the new models on the road that these customers realize the car they knew before has been changed.

"We start on the next one as soon as (the current one) hits the showrooms," Hunter says. "We always try to go as far as we can, without getting so radical that the customer may not appreciate it."

Five theories on Big Bang car chemistry

Car culture is alive and humming on the campus of Caltech. While Big Bang Theory's petrol-head pedigree isn't a match for the show's Iron Man Mark XLII geek hand, it isn't exactly running on empty. The crew's chief brainiac lacks a driver's licence but Sheldon could still talk your ear off about the physics of internal combustion, downforce and drafting. Plus Penny and Leonard have major auto-cred. The actors playing the CBS hit's central couple starred in Super Bowl car spots the past couple of years for Toyota and Hyundai. We fire up a Bunsen burner and rattle around some test tubes while pondering the Big Bang Combustion Theory.

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Leonard Hofstadter

With an ignition in a counter-intuitive spot (it's floor-mounted) and a hood hinged to open away from the windshield, Saabs are quirky cars and a fitting ride for a guy with more than a few quirks of his own.

Hofstadter, the self-anointed "king of foreplay," is a delicate soul who has been known to reach for his asthma inhaler post-sex. He is prone to a bevy of maladies from ear infections to allergies galore and the slightest whiff of dairy will wreak havoc on his digestive tract. But, like a Saab, his peculiarities tend to grow on people — just ask Penny, Priya or any of his prior co-pilots.



Penny

Penny pushes the pedal to the metal in a 1980s Volkswagen Cabriolet Mk1 convertible for most of the series.

The aspiring actress' driving is not for the faint-hearted as Penny often misses pivotal road signs and neglects to slow down ahead of speed bumps. The check-engine light she ignored for eons finally spelled the end for her rickety ride and Leonard buys her a new car this season. We've only caught a short glimpse of the roofline so the brand is a mystery. Some hardcore fans have speculated that it could be a Ford Taurus or a Chevy Malibu.



Rajesh Koothrappali

While Raj may have way too much experience playing the third wheel in his pals' tandem relationships, in a Big Bang Theory road race there's no doubt he'd be the leader of the pack.

The astrophysicist received a brand new beemer for his birthday on Season 6 but there was one slight hitch — they didn't spring for seat warmers and Raj has a sensitive tush.

Rajesh, if you want a warm butt, you're gonna have to pay for it yourself.



Howard Wolowitz

While Wolowitz's bowl cut and penchant for skinny jeans, colour blocking and loud Comic-Con-friendly belt buckles make him look like a man-child, the gang's jester has shown subtle signs of maturing tastes since returning to terra firma after his stint on the International Space Station.

The aerospace engineer traded in his cherry red Vespa scooter for a zippy grey Mini Cooper Countryman



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♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

Pay more attention to your career over the next few weeks. What is it you are best at and what brings out your special creativity? Do that to the exclusion of everything else.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Stand back from money matters and see your life from a wider perspective. There are many types of wealth and the most important of all is to be rich in knowledge — and love.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You'll find it easier to get your point of view across. Even nicer is that you will discover that loved ones are on your side.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

If you go out of your way to help people your good deeds will come back to you many times over. If, however, you go out of your way to make life difficult for others your own life will be more difficult.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You have done many things (some good, others bad) over the past few weeks, because you believed in what you were doing. Because of that, you have no reason to apologize.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Forget all the things that have gone wrong in your life and look forward to all the things that will soon be going right.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

There is no point getting angry with those who have let you down. The more you shout, the more likely it is they will make mistakes. Change your attitude.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Money worries will recede over the next few days as you focus more on making a success of your career. Why not treat yourself to a night on the town?

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

The pace of life has been hectic and if you don't take a break you might regret it. There is, though, still enough time for one last effort to complete something important to you.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You can feel your confidence beginning to return and by the end of the week you will have forgotten that you ever doubted yourself. Your ability to make things happen is there.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

If there is something you need to own up to do so now as Jupiter, planet of good fortune, moves into your opposite sign. Most likely you've worried about it for no good reason.

♓ Pisces

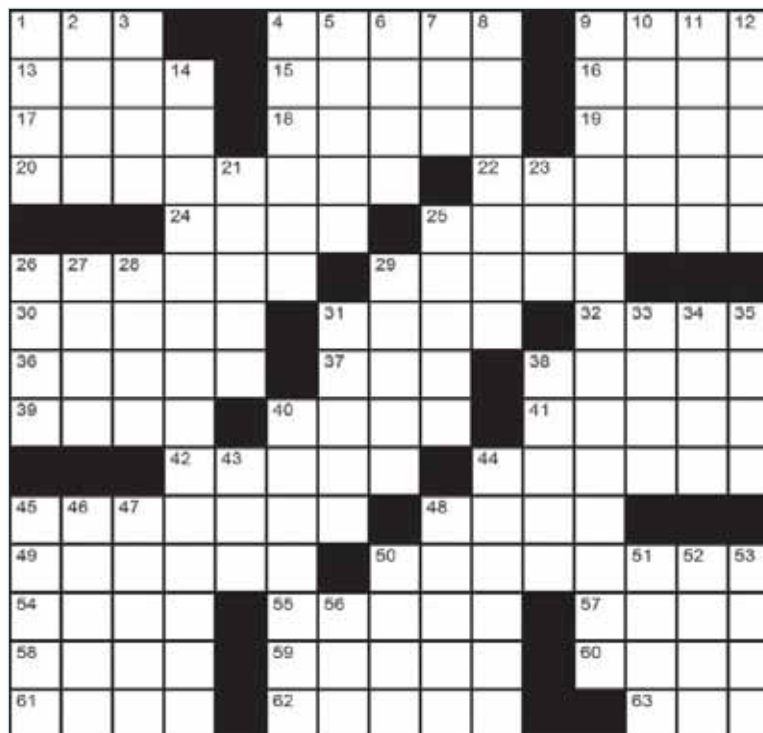
Feb. 20 - March 20

You will be back to your best in a matter of days but today you must make peace with anyone you have fallen out with. Maybe you were a little harsh on them.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

1. Beaver's buldee
4. Rig out
9. Gent
13. "Wanna make _ _?" (Oh, really?!)
15. _-millionaire
16. 24- _ day
17. Boring
18. Place a nametag: 2 wds.
19. Lady Gaga's "You _ _"
20. Madrid 'Miss'
22. _-Carleton, PEI
24. Scarce
25. Patsy _ (Campbellton, NB born singer)
26. Elton's co-song-writer
29. Battle royal
30. Shingles spots
31. Spring
32. "The Best of Times" band
36. Rock music genre
37. Civil rights org. founded in 1913
38. Write _ _ (Item on an old Robert Service "To-Do List", say)
39. Feminine suffix
40. Sherbrooke 'streets'
41. _ _ blanche
42. British geologist, Sir Charles _ (b.1797 - d.1875)
44. Canadian frozen fries maker
45. Cape Breton Island village
48. + - x subj.



49. Nevertheless, fun-style
50. Saskatchewan town, 'Gateway to the Sandhills'
54. Actress Ms. Kedrova
55. Hen's home
57. Fort _ , ON
58. And others,

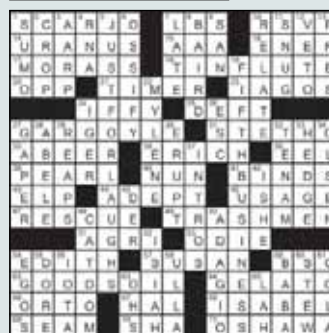
- briefly: 2 wds.
59. Beneficiary
60. Diamond spot
61. Mark Twain's jumping frog, _ Webster
62. Fork's friend
63. Toronto museum, commonly

1. Lightly applies
2. Ready. Willing. _ .
3. Unkind
4. _-waist dress
5. Very
6. Arm bone
7. "What was _ _ do?"
8. CFL legend, Michael " _ " Clemons

9. Iconic Canadian artist of the Moose Factory in Toronto: 2 wds.
10. Beach Boys song title car
11. 1948 Pulitzer-winning poet, W.H. _ (b.1907 - d.1973)
12. Publish

14. Edward Rochester's home in 1800s literature: 2 wds.
21. Job picker's demand
23. " _ Buttermilk Sky" by Hoagy Carmichael
25. The J. _ Band
26. Creamy cheese
27. Geological periods
28. Curtains holders
29. Vogue cover person
31. Sink sealant
33. 1970 war movie, when tripled!
34. Fabled creature
35. " _ _ Origins: Wolverine" (2009)
38. They're created to join Twitter, e.g.
40. The Guess Who outputs
43. Warder of the Tower of London, commonly
44. Newfoundland _ (Weasel-like animal)
45. Worked with hay
46. "West Side Story" (1961) character
47. Singer/songwriter Bob
48. Saskatoon coffee roasters, since 2007
50. U2 singer
51. Diva's song
52. "Ally McBeal" character
53. Plastic playset piece
56. Alley _ (Comic strip classic)

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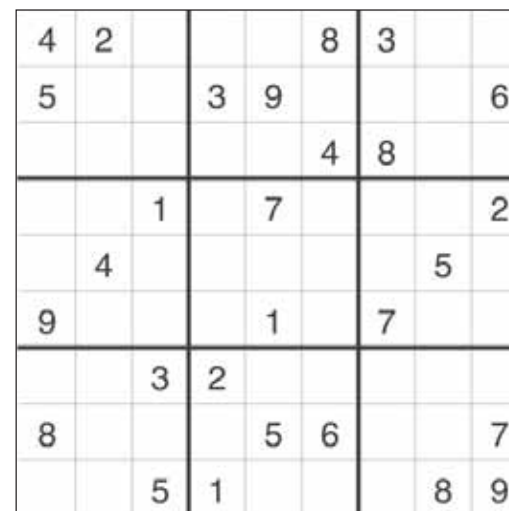


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